

The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 4 OF 2012

WHEREAS, across the County "National Library Week" and also "The Week of the Young Child" will be celebrated during April, 2012; and

WHEREAS, April, therefore, is an excellent time to raise awareness about the importance of early literacy skills and reading often to children; and

WHEREAS, The Office of Commonwealth Libraries in collaboration with other agencies is continuing the nationally recognized literacy initiative "Pennsylvania – One Book, Every Young Child", now in its seventh year, to also promote and raise awareness of the importance of early literacy; and

WHEREAS, "one book – one state" became the model and vehicle for involving adults in interactive reading with young children; and

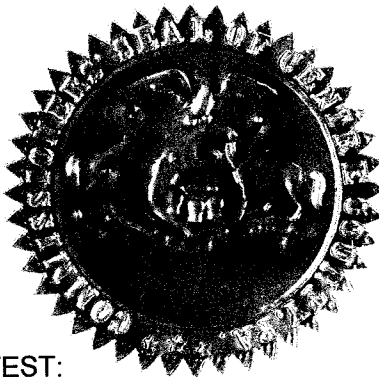
WHEREAS, the book "Stop Snoring, Bernard!" by author and illustrator Zachariah Ohora and will be read to children across Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Commonwealth Libraries will provide all 641 public libraries and outlets with "Stop Snoring, Bernard!" in hopes of touching the life of "every young child" in the state; and


WHEREAS, a coalition of agencies across the County, including libraries, child care groups, doctor's offices and service organizations have joined together to promote the importance of early literacy activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of **April, 2012** as "**Wake Up and Read Month in Centre County**" to reflect our commitment to sharing books with children and urges everyone to participate in this critically important initiative by reading to a young child now and often.

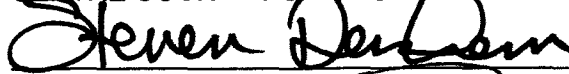
ADOPTED this 3rd day of April, 2012.



ATTEST:


Timothy T. Boyde, Administrator

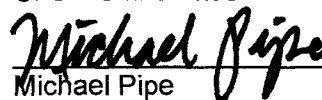
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